

Several news outlets reported on Chairman Towns and Ranking Member Issa's announcement that the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform [has launched an investigation](#) into the circumstances surrounding the recall of more than 40 popular brands including Children's Tylenol, Infant's Tylenol, Children's Motrin, Benadryl and Zyrtec products.

[The Wall Street Journal reported](#) :

The House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is opening an investigation into conflicting accounts of what prompted a Johnson & Johnson unit's recent recall of children's over-the-counter medicines, as well as how the company handled consumer complaints about foreign matter in the bottles...

The committee will examine the "adequacy of FDA's inspection procedures," according to a statement issued by Rep. Edolphus Towns, the Democratic chairman, and Rep. Issa...

The recall over the weekend involved more than 40 different Tylenol, Benadryl, Motrin and Zyrtec products for children and infants.

Some of the medicines had higher concentrations of the active ingredient than specified, according to the company, and some products may contain tiny metallic particles left as a residue from the manufacturing process.

It was the latest in a string of recalls at the McNeil unit.

[Reuters highlighted the FDA's findings](#) :

The House of Representatives Committee on Oversight and Government Reform opened the

investigation after J&J took 40 widely-used children's pain and allergy medications off the market, saying some may have a higher concentration of their active ingredients while others may be contaminated...

The FDA issued a damning report on Tuesday, saying inspectors found thick dust, grime and contaminated ingredients at the J&J plant that produces Children's Tylenol and dozens of other products recalled last week.

Chairman Edolphus Towns (D-NY) and Ranking Member Darrell Issa (R-CA) [today requested information from the Food and Drug Administration](#) relating to the major voluntary recall of popular over-the-counter pediatric medication manufactured by McNeil Consumer Healthcare, a subsidiary of Johnson and Johnson.